

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 549
By Clabough

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Sarah Rae Strunk, 2003
Salutatorian of Maryville High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Rae Strunk is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2003 graduating class of Maryville High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Strunk has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and in our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Sarah Rae Strunk has earned an exemplary 4.5 grade point average and has been honored with Academic Letters in Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Strunk is an extremely talented and well-rounded young woman; a Senior Company Member of the Appalachian Ballet Company, she also has served as a Delegate to the Student Congress on Policies in Education and as a valuable member of the

Maryville High School Orchestra, the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, the Key Club, the Interact Club, and Young Life; and

WHEREAS, a compassionate and community-minded citizen, Sarah Rae Strunk volunteers her time and many gifts to improve her community, lending her remarkable talents to such noble causes as America Reads, the Make-a-Wish Foundation, Habitat for Humanity, the United Way, and the Blount County Food Pantry; she has also served as Coordinator of the Senior Buddy Program and the tutoring program at Maryville Intermediate School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Strunk's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success, particularly as she enters the University of Virginia in the fall; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Rae Strunk's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Janet Settle and Kenneth Strunk, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Strunk's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Maryville High School Salutatorian, Sarah Rae Strunk, on her impressive academic achievement, extending to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.